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SUBJ: ARMORED CARS

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1. AT CLOSE OF CONVERSATION WITH PRESIDENT BONGO MARCH 14, BONGO ONCE AGAIN RAISED SUBJECT OF ARMORED CARS. HE DID NOT SEEM TROUBLED BY OUR EARLIER INABILITY TO PROVIDE TRANSPORTATION, BUT ASKED WHETHER WE MIGHT NOW TRANSPORT THEM SAYING HIS C-130S-L-100S WERE STILL TIED UP IN GABON IN CONNECTION WITH OTHER MATTERS (READ NO DOUBT THE CONTINUING SEARCH FOR MISSING HELICOPTER).

2. SINCE WE HAD PREVIOUSLY TOLD HIM THROUGH LT. COL NGARI, HIS ADC, THAT PRINCIPLE REASON WE COULD NOT HELP EARLIER WAS LACK OF TIME, (WHICH NO LONGER APPLIES), I TOLD HIM I WOULD AGAIN INQUIRE.

3. ACCORDINGLY, I WOULD APPRECIATE IT IF DEPT AND DOD WOULD TAKE ANOTHER LOOK. WE HAVE NOTED PARA 2 OF REFTEL (B), BUT I
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CONFESS I DO NOT KNOW WHAT IS INTENDED BY STATEMENT THAT "USE OF THE DTS FOR MOVEMENT OF FMS MATERIAL IS SEVERELY RESTRICTED." AND WOULD APPRECIATE FURTHER BACKGROUND. I CONTINUE TO BELIEVE IN ANY CASE THAT IN THESE CIRCUMSTANCES WHERE BONGO HAS PROMISED TO PAY, IT WOULD BE A HELFPUL BILATERAL GESTURE TO ACCOMMODATE HIM AT LITTLE COST TO OURSELVES THAT I CAN SEE.
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